might entail some strain, but this should not outweigh the advantage which an examination at this stage might otherwise possess. They do not also consider the absence of such an examination elsewhere a reason for its being abolished in the State, though it must be regarded as a weighty reason for its abolition. The question here is mainly one of a certain standard of equipment being reached before a student comes up to the High School course and it would not be possible to ensure any uniform standard in the large number of Middle Schools—Government and Aided—without some examination at the end of the Middle School course. They are, however, of opinion that it is unnecessary to insist on a pass in the examination in the cases in which there is not much likelihood of students going up to the High School course to qualify for some appointment or vocation such as for instance in the case of girl students. Government have, therefore, decided that the examination shall not be compulsory in the case of girls. To provide, however, for such of them as wish to proceed to the High School course joining a High School, they are also pleased to direct that admission to a High School in the case of girl students might be made on the basis of a certificate issued from the Middle School in which they are educated in a form to be prescribed.

4. The Director of Public Instruction is requested to submit for the orders of Government necessary rules in this matter.

M. VENKATESA IYENGAR,
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT.

Sanctions the Reorganisation of the Gazetted and Executive Staff of the Department of Industries and Commerce.

READ—

1. Government Order No. I. & C. 2633-92—I. & C. 121-22-1, dated 24th October 1922, sanctioning the reorganisation of the Department of Industries and Commerce and laying down the policy of its future working.

2. Government Order No. D. 92-101—I. & C. 419-27-2, dated Camp Mysore, 27th October 1928, sanctioning the reorganisation of the Mechanical Staff of the Department of Industries and Commerce.

3. Government Order No. D. 754-5—I. & C. 241-31-11, dated 18th August 1932, sanctioning, among other things, an allowance of Rs. 30 each to the Superintendents of Industries for extra work entrusted to them as Inspectors of Boilers.

4. Government Order No. Fi. 444-6—S. & A. 2-34-4, dated 13th July 1934, sanctioning revised scales of pay to the staff of the Industries and Commerce Department.

5. Government Order No. D. 3909-12—I. & C. 93-36-8, dated 18th December 1936, sanctioning the post of a Marketing Survey Officer on Rs. 150—10—200 for conducting the Marketing Survey Work in the State.

6. Correspondence ending with letter No. C. B. 4—37-38, dated 2nd August 1938, from the Director of Industries and Commerce, submitting proposals for the reorganisation of the Gazetted and Executive Staff of the Department of Industries and Commerce.

ORDER No. D. 4633-702—I. & C. 45-38-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 24TH NOVEMBER 1938.

The Director states that since the reorganisation of the department in 1922, there has been a steady expansion in the volume and character of the activities of the department and that the time has arrived for scheduling the activities and redistributing the functions of the various sections of the department, especially with a view to securing adequate attention to the development of major, minor and rural industries and to the administration of the various legislative measures affecting labour which have been enacted in recent years.

2. Keeping these considerations in view, the Director has submitted proposals for the reorganisation of the Gazetted and the Executive Staff of the Department.

The main features of the scheme are—

(i) redistribution and decentralisation of work in the head office, with necessary changes in the designation and scales of pay of the officers concerned,

(ii) appointment of whole-time Inspectors of Factories and Boilers and divesting the Superintendents of Industries of this work,

(iii) reduction in the strength of the mechanics and the creation of two whole-time Assistant Superintendents of Industries, and

(iv) providing for the exchange of officers between the Industries and Commerce Department and the other departments.

3. As regards item (i), the Director suggests the regrouping of work in his office under four sections, each being placed in charge of a responsible officer, so that there may be, to some extent, a decentralisation of work which will enable him to devote greater attention to questions of general policy. He accordingly proposes the abolition of the posts of the Industrial Chemist, the Industrial Engineer, the Commercial Accountant, the Superintendent of Commercial Intelligence and the Marketing Survey Officer and the appointment of one Deputy Director and three Assistant Directors of equal status, as detailed in the statement appended. The management of the Central Industrial Workshop is proposed to be vested in an Assistant Superintendent, the Deputy Director being required to supervise the work of the Assistant Superintendent, besides assisting the Director in the work of general administration, and in the development of rural and cottage industries. The proposals of the Director are approved except that the duties and salary attached to the Office of the Industrial Engineer now held by Mr. B. G. Appadorai Mudaliar need not be disturbed. The Director may however entrust to him such other duties of a supervisory nature as he might consider necessary. The grades of the Assistant Directors will be two on Rs. 200—40/2—400 and one on Rs. 250—20—350.

4. As regards item (ii), the Director states that much of the time of the Superintendents of Industries is at present taken away in the inspection of Factories and Boilers and urges the necessity for relieving them of this work so that continuous and adequate attention may be paid by them for the development of rural and cottage industries and other work relating to allround development of industrial and commercial enterprise in the State. He accordingly suggests the appointment of two whole-time Inspectors of Boilers and Factories to attend to the administration of the Factories and Boilers Acts and other enactments. The proposals made by the Director are sanctioned except that there will be no disturbance in regard to the duties now entrusted to the Industrial Engineer. The Director may make a suitable redistribution of the work of the two whole-time Inspectors.

5. In view of the fact that the services of qualified mechanics are available freely all over the State, and well equipped workshops have been established by private enterprise catering to the needs of the people, the reduction in the strength of the mechanics from 16 to 5 is proposed. As further industrialisation of the country has to be attempted by starting big, medium and small scale industries, the Director proposes the creation of two posts of whole-time Assistant Superintendents of Industries to assist the Superintendents in attending to this part of the programme of the department. The reduction in the strength of mechanics proposed by the Director as well as the creation of two posts of Assistant Superintendents of Industries in the grade of Rs. 100—5—125 are sanctioned.

6. The Director further states that it is desirable to provide for the exchange of officers between the department and other Government departments, such as Revenue, Accounts, etc., so that the department may have benefit of the broader outlook and varied experience of such officers. Government agree with the Director and are pleased to direct that where, for special reasons, officers from other departments are drafted to the Industries and Commerce Department, their pay may be treated as special and fixed in each individual case.

7. A statement showing the present and the sanctioned scale of establishment is appended to this order.

8. The Director is requested to submit for sanction of Government, an allocation statement, showing the pay of officers and officials in the revised scales.

J. APPAJI GOWDA,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.